UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v. :

FALIKOU KONE, a/k/a "Ben,"

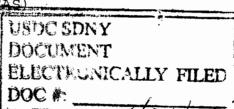
Defendant.

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<u>ORDER</u>

08 Cr. 557 (SAS)



DATE FILED:

SHIRA A. SCHEINDLIN, District Judge:

Upon the application of the United States of America, by and through Assistant United States Attorney Edward Y. Kim, and with the consent of the defendant, FALIKOU KONE, by and through his counsel, Mark Gombiner, Esq., it is hereby ORDERED that the time between June 27, 2008, and the date of the initial pre-trial conference scheduled in this matter, July 10, 2008, is excluded for purposes of the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A), in the interests of justice. The ends of justice served by such continuance outweigh the interest of the public and the defendants in a speedy trial because it will allow counsel for the defendant to meet with his client in preparation for discussions with the Government regarding a potential disposition of the case.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: New York, New York

June 7 , 2008

HON. SHIRA A. SCHEINDLIN United States District Judge